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## House of Representatives

The House met at 11 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mrs. DINGELL).

### DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,  
December 23, 2021.

I hereby appoint the Honorable DEBBIE DINGELL to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NANCY PELOSI,  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

### PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Margaret Grun Kibben, offered the following prayer:

Holy God, from the beginning of time You have loved us. When, at creation, You set before us Your marvelous handiwork and called it good, You gave us the privilege to enjoy all Your grace gifts.

In this season of enjoyment and gift-giving, may we see You, the giver of all things, in the love wrapped in each present.

In this season of lights, may we see that time and again You interrupt the darkness that surrounds us with the warmth and welcome of Your own brilliant light.

In this season when we pray for peace and good will, may we call to mind the peace You intended for us at creation, the world You desire for us where

“The wolf shall live with the lamb,  
the leopard shall lie down with the kid,  
the calf and the lion and the fatling together.”

Reveal the hope that is ours in the shoot that grows even from the driest stump, the child who loves with the most perfect love.

In the spirit and wisdom that comes from the fear of You, O Lord, fill the Earth with the knowledge of Your eternal love.

In Your holy name we pray.  
Amen.

### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 11(a) of House Resolution 188, the Journal of the last day's proceedings is approved.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The SPEAKER pro tempore led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 4 of rule I, the following enrolled bills were signed by Speaker pro tempore BEYER on Tuesday, December 21, 2021:

H.R. 1664, to authorize the National Medal of Honor Museum Foundation to establish a commemorative work in the District of Columbia and its environs, and for other purposes;

H.R. 3537, to direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services to support research on, and expanded access to, investigational drugs for amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, and for other purposes;

S. 1605, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2022 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel

strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes.

### APPOINTMENT OF INDIVIDUAL TO GOVERNING BOARD OF THE OFFICE OF CONGRESSIONAL ETHICS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair announces the Speaker's appointment, pursuant to section 4(c) of House Resolution 8, 117th Congress, and the order of the House of January 4, 2021, of the following individual to serve on the Governing Board on the Office of Congressional Ethics:

Nominated by the Speaker after consultation with the minority leader:

Mr. William Paul Luther, Minnesota, alternate, for the remainder of the term as alternate of Mr. Mike Barnes.

### ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

Cheryl L. Johnson, Clerk of the House, reported and found truly enrolled bills of the House of the following titles, which were thereupon signed by the Speaker pro tempore, Mr. BEYER, on Tuesday, December 21, 2021:

H.R. 1664. An act to authorize the National Medal of Honor Museum Foundation to establish a commemorative work in the District of Columbia and its environs, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3537. An act to direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services to support research on, and expanded access to, investigational drugs for amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, and for other purposes.

### SENATE ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The Speaker pro tempore, Mr. BEYER, on Tuesday, December 21, 2021, announced his signature to an enrolled bill of the Senate of the following title:

S. 1605—An Act to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2022 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military

□ This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g., □ 1407 is 2:07 p.m.

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